

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Yakima River levels continue to rise**

Richland, Wash: Water levels in the Yakima River have risen as forecast, and residents living along the river should continue to monitor water levels in their area.

Currently estimates are for the Yakima to crest about a foot below flood stage Thursday afternoon, November 9. Residents of Benton City, West Richland, and Richland living in low-lying areas along the Yakima could see minor localized flooding before water levels begin to recede.

County officials will continue to monitor river levels and will advise area residents if conditions change. Up-to-date information is also available on the Benton County Emergency Services website – [www.bces.wa.gov](http://www.bces.wa.gov).

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